

Business-Professional Guide

ELWELL

Mr. and Mrs. Gerber of Lansing are visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Amy Mallory spent Monday and Tuesday in Chicago.

Mrs. Frank Mallory and little son left Monday for their home in Dakota.

Glenn Courter was at Lapeer one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Corl of Alma visited relatives here a few days this week.

Floyd Nelson was a business caller at Saginaw Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherd Romine went to Alma Thursday to see their little grandson, Leslie Romine, who has blood poisoning in his foot.

About 20 L. O. T. M. ladies went to Sumner Friday to attend the district convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Johnson were Alma visitors Saturday.

Miss Cora Fleming spent Sunday with Mrs. Wm. Layman.

Orlin Fletcher of Alma was a business caller here Friday.

Levi Pritchard drove to Mt. Pleasant Normal to get his daughter, Irene, who was taken seriously ill.

Chas. Taylor is reported much better at this writing.

Guy Harrison, who is working at Mt. Pleasant, spent the week end with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Fisher were St. Louis callers Tuesday.

Mrs. Owen Courter spent Saturday in Alma.

Geo. Leonard has purchased the

barber shop of Chas. Kelley. Mr. Leonard comes highly recommended.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Medler spent the week end at Long Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hutchinson were Alma callers Thursday.

Mr. Williams is reported better at this writing.

Miss Mildred Courter was an Alma caller Tuesday evening.

Miss Vera Webb of Alma visited relatives here Friday.

Miss Leona Romine was an Alma caller Thursday.

Arthur Murphy was a business caller at Lansing one day last week.

The dance here Wednesday evening was well attended.

Mrs. Ed. Treed spent Saturday with Mrs. Ellen Charter.

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This is true, if it comes out of the ground without help. The greatly increased cost lies in digging the hole, casing it, caring for the oil when it comes out, and transporting and handling it on its way to the refinery.

Petroleum Age in its September issue says: "The cost of drilling and equipping a well at the present scale of prices for material and labor runs from Five Thousand Dollars for a shallow sand pumper to Seventy-five Thousand Dollars for the deep wells. A general average covering the entire country would run about Twenty Thousand Dollars per well."

One item which is often overlooked is the cost of drilling wells which fail to produce oil. It is estimated that from 20 to 30 percent of all wells put down are dry holes.

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The total expense including investment in drilling tools, lease equipment and labor, is roughly estimated at one billion dollars.

Deducting two hundred fifty million dollars (25 percent) for salvage on equipment susceptible of further use, the net investment in new production for the year will be seven hundred fifty million dollars.

It is apparent that oil does not come "for nothing out of the ground."

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